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Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc. is the Assignee of the invention,

Entitled: *Use of Speech Recognition for Identification and Classification of Images in a Camera-equipped Mobile Handset*

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The specification of which is being filed herewith.

Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc., a corporation of the State of Washington, Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified patent application by an assignment document filed herewith, hereby appoints:

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as its attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventor and the inventor's attorneys in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §3.71.

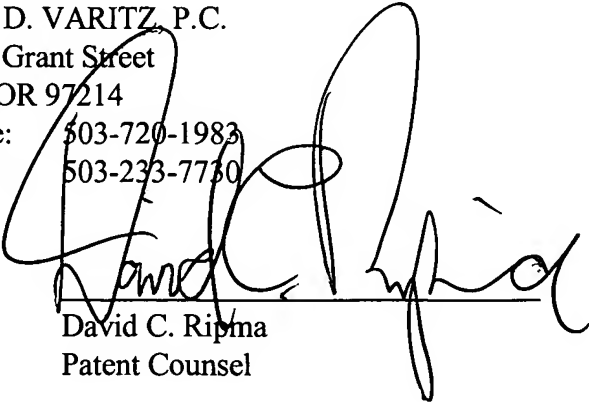
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) the undersigned submits herewith the original of an assignment document from the inventor or inventors to Assignee, together with a cover sheet and the fee for recording same. The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is authorized to sign this Power of Attorney on behalf of the Assignee.

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